## SUBMISSION BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO THE WORKING GROUP STEERING COMMITTEE (NO 4)

The Democratic Party proposes that the W.G.S.C. should consider the following issues and report to the W.G. on Monday, 10/2:

- In respect of those members who support re-incorporation, there appear to be three alternative procedures:
  - (i) a unilateral action on the part of the S.A. Government
  - (ii) assuming that the governments of the TBVC States are sufficiently representative of the people of these States, their decision should be accepted as final.
  - (iii) a number of participants have indicated that the people themselves should indicate whether they are in favour of incorporation. In connection with this point, the following issues arise:
    - What method should be employed to test the feelings of the people: - referendum?, opinion poll?, election?
    - B. Who will be entitled to express an opinion:citizens?, residents of TBVC States?, and/or citizens also resident outside these States within RSA.
  - The W.G.S.C. will also have to consider the implications of the attitude taken by e.g. Bophuthatswana that the Bophuthatswana Government is not in favour of re-incorporation.
  - (c) How to deal with the attitude taken by some participants that before the governments or people of the TBVC states be called upon to express an opinion, clarity must first be achieved about the type of state into which these states may be re-incorporated. In particular, the extent to which there will be strong regional features in a new S.A. Constitution.